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E. O. 11652:
TAGS: MARR JA VS
SUBJECT: AMMO BOUND FOR SOUTH VIETNAM

1. KOMEITO (OPPOSITION PARTY) AS WELL AS JAPANESE PRESS CHARGED THAT US WAS PLANNING SHIP AMMO TO SVN CONTRARY TO VIETNAM CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT AND THAT, GOJ, IN PERMITTING SUCH SHIPMENTS, WAS ACCESSORY TO VIOLATION. KOMEITO CHARGED SPECIFICALLY THAT US AMMO SHIP " GREEN WAVE" WILL DEPART HIRO AMMO PORT MARCH 18 FOR DANANG WITH 11,000 TONS OF AMMO. KOMEITO SAID IT WOULD TAKE UP THIS ISSUE IN DIET MORNING MARCH 12.

2. FONOFF HAS URGENTLY REQUESTED EMBASSY EXPLANATION IN ORDER REFUTE KOMEITO ALLEGATION ND DEMONSTRATE THAT GOJ WAS ABIDING BY PARA FIVE OF PARIS COMMUNIQUE WHICH CALLED ON ALL COUNTRIES TO RESPECT
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CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT. BASED ON INFO PROVIDED BY COMUSJAPAN, EMBASSY CONFIRMED " GREEN WAVE" AMMO SHIPMENT, AND SAID IT WAS IN LINE WITH CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT. WE ALSO SAID DETAILS ON SUCH SHIPMENTS BECAME KNOWN TO PUBLIC SINCE SHIPPING DOCUMENTS ARE PROCESSED BY JAPANESE BASE EMPLOYEES, AND SHIP DESTINATION AND CARGO ARE ROUTINELY REPORTED TO GOJ PORT AUTHORITIES.

3. FONOFF ALSO ASKED FOR RECONFIRMATION THAT " GREEN WAVE" AMMO SHIPMENT WAS BEING CARRIED OUT SPECIFICALLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE SEVEN OF CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT, WHICH GOJ INTERPRETS TO MEAN THAT MILITARY EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES, INCLUDING AMMO, CAN BE BROUGHT INTO SVN ONLY UNDER SUPERVISION OF JOINT MILITARY COMMISSION AND OF ICCS.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: RESPONSE TO GOJ REQUEST PARA THREE ABOVE. WOULDAPPRECIATE ANSWER BY OPENING OF BUSINESS TOKY MARCH 12.

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